CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that all the issues raised in the outstanding Action have all been addressed. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

No fee is currently due for the present response. However, in the event that it is determined that additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 22097-003, Customer No. 35437.

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